Scott. II-46—33,702—27-11-29.

P. W. (1925) Department.

Mis SERIES.

G.O. No. 184 W

DATED 6.2.25

(1) Records
(2) Sum/A for further action

8/2/25

Ref. No. 2397/24/A/2/ -

Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Chepauk, Madras, Dated the 17th May 1924.

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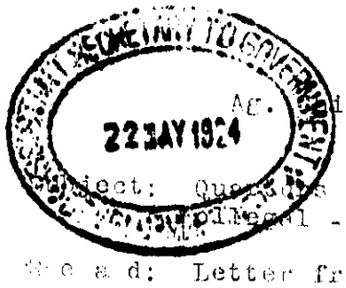

W. Tiremen Esquire,,

Ag. Chief Conservator of Forests.

Subject: Quarters - Residential - District Forest Officer, Kollegal - Exemption from payment of rent -

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Read: Letter from the District Forest Officer, Kollegal, R.O.C.No. 260/24/B, dated the 29th April 1924.

I beg to report that the water in the well attached to the District Forest Officer's quarters at Kollegal completely went down in March 1924 and it was very inconvenient for me to live in an out of the way residence without an adequate supply of water. For 2 days I had water carted from the town, but found it very inconvenient to do so from a distance of nearly 7 furlongs. At Kollegal, a cart and a pair of bulls are not always available for hire for carting water. Even if available, they would cost about Rs40/- a month. Neither would it be convenient for me to maintain a pair of bulls exclusively for supply of water as the difficulty of procuring fodder for the bulls in and round Kollegal is considerable. Water is not also available in the vicinity. I therefore vacated my quarters temporarily from the afternoon of 12th March 1924.

2. I reported the matter to the Executive Engineer, Salem in my letter reference No. 260/24/B, dated 13th March 1924, but that officer has informed me in his letter No. 710 M, dated the 8th April 1924 that under para 323 of the P.W.D. Code, I am responsible for the payment of rent of the building even though I vacated it, unless sanction of Government is obtained exempting me from payment of rent.

3. On 20/2/24, I observed that there was only 1½ feet of water in the well and as it was not wholesome, I requested the Executive Engineer to kindly arrange for deepening the well and improving the water-supply. The Sub-Divisional Officer, Kollegal was therefore instructed by the Executive Engineer to prepare an

an estimate for deepening the well but the Superintending Engineer, Coimbatore Circle (to whom the matter was referred by the Executive Engineer) has expressed the opinion that he is not in favour of incurring any expenses in deepening the well as it seems to him a very doubtful remedy.

4. As it is not possible for me to live in the quarters without an adequate supply of water, I beg to request that the Government may kindly moved to exempt me from paying rent for the building from 13/3/24 till I occupy it after the well in the compound is deepened or an adequate supply of water becomes available after the rains.

Reference:

Submitted to the Government in continuation of this Office Reference No. 2397/24/A/2/1, dated the 27th March 1924 for favour of orders.

2. I support the District Forest Officer's request.

20.5.24

For Ag. Chief Conservator.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Development Department,

K.S.20.5.

Copy of the Collector's Endorsement, N.Ref.No. /24-B-1, dated the 30th April 1924.

I support this request and have seen the place. The District Forest Officer can hardly be expected to live in a house where he can get no water.

Copy of the Conservator's Endorsement L.Dis.No.757/24/B, dated 7th May 1924.

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Forwarded for approval. The failure of water in the well is doubtless due to the lack of rains from the North East Monsoon. The whole country was very dry when I was there in December last.

P.W.D.

C.No. 2395 Ac. From the C.C. of Forests,

No. 2397/24/A-2 dt 19.5.24

Re: Remission of rent for the

D.F.O's residence at Kollegal.

Encl. 2395 Ac/24-1 dt 6.6.24

Reported to the

A.G. for remarks.

2. Orders are being issued separately sanctioning an expenditure of Rs. 150/- on the work of deepening the well in the quarters.

DD 7.6.24 CR. 2.6.24

DESPATCHED
-9 JUN 1924

for Secy.

To the A.G. Madras,

with the current in original

(to be returned with the reply)

I.D. R.D. - 30.6.24.

No 2395 Pe/24-5 dt 1-10-24. PWD

Madura water supply.

memo

In G.O. No 2243 W dt 15.8.02, sanction was accorded to the supply at a cost of Rs 25/- p.m, at work expense, of a water cart to each of the five European officers quarters at madura, until such time as the pipe supply was made available.

The S.E, Trichinopoly Circle is requested to report at very early date whether the supply of water cart ~~as above~~ is still being continued and if not, whether its discontinuance is due to the pipe water supply having been made available for those quarters, and if so, from what date the supply of pipe water commenced.

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30/IX/24

Do
The S.E. Trichy Circle

DD
RD 20/X

DESPATCHED
10 OCT 1924

C.F. 30—18,658—3-01-23.

Public Works **DEPARTMENT.** 6

PW SECTION

Received 15 OCT 24 192 . Registered 192 .

CURRENT NUMBER 47448 Subject.

Water Supply - European Officers quarters - Madura.

ENCLOSURES.
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Station. Trichinopoly *Dated the* 14 October 1924.

From. (Name) C. T. Mullings, Esquire,

(Designation) Superintending Engineer, Trichy Circle.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department.

Sir, Reference :- Your Memo.No.2395-Ac/24-5, dated 1st October 1924.

The supply of water carts at a cost of Rs.35/- per mensem for each residence is not being continued now. It was discontinued from the 1st December 1912 on account of supply of pipe water to these buildings commencing from the 27th November 1912.

Sd/:- C T.Mullings,
8-10-24,
Supg:Engr.Trichy Circle.

For Supg:Engineer, Trichy Circle.

P.S.S/12-10-24.

13.10.24.

OFFICE OF THE

Dated _____ 192

_____ Hours _____ Minutes.

TELEPHONIC MESSAGE

Sir

Yours [illegible] Bridge section

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the Salary bills of the Sections
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the period 13-3-24 to 15-9-24
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CR. 29-1-25

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O.F. 33—40,000—22-4-21.

[To be returned with reply, if any, noted on the reverse.]

No. Gad III/ 1/c

SECRETARIAT TO GOVERNMENT 6 FEB 1925 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Fort St. George,
Accountant-General's Office,
Dated the 3 February 1925

To The Secretary to Government
P.W.D Chepauk.

Subject for Entry Lupdt

Ref: Telephone message dt 30/1/25 from P.W.D Auth. Re: the recovery of House Rent from M.R.Ry T Sadasiva Ayyar District Forest Officer Kollegal for the period 13/3/24 to 15/9/24.

The amounts which were recovered from the pay bills of the Officer for the months, March 1924 to September 1924 on account of House rent are noted below:—

From the pay for
" March 24 — Rs 37-0-0
" April 24 — Rs 37-0-0
" May 24 — Rs 41-5-0
" June 24 — Rs 39-0-0
" July 24 — Rs 39-0-0
" August 24 — Rs 51-15-0
" September 24 — Rs 51-11-0

Accountant-General
4/2/25

TELEPHONIC MESSAGE.

From The S.P.A. to the Ch. Conservator of Forests

To A.S

The A.F.O. Kollegal had vacated Qr. at Kollegal from 3-24 to 15-9 for want of water Convenience. The Govt. Development were requested on 19-8-24 to exempt the officer from payment of rent for the period. It was understood that orders will be issued by your office. Will you please let me know when the orders may be expected.

Asst
28-1-25

Reply

From A.S P.W.D

To The P.A to the Ch Conservator of Forests.

Reference your Tom of yesterday re the grant of exemption to the A.F.O at Kollegal from payment of rent for his official residence at the place.

Orders on the case will be issued shortly.

Asst
2.1.25

CR.
30-1-25.

30/1/25

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Development Deptt

C. no 1630 I. from a/c of Forest no 2397/24/A/2 d/19.5.24

Subject: Exemption from payment of rent for D.F.O's Quarters at Kollegal.

To Under Secretary

Please see C.C's letter in the c.f. In the circumstances explained in the letter this deptt may support the D.F.O's request that he may be exempted from payment of rent from 13.3.24 until he is enabled to occupy it after an improvement to the water supply is effected or until water becomes available after the rains. Both the C.C and the Collector support the D.F.O's request. With these remarks the file may be transferred to P.W.D for issue of orders.

24.5.24.

24.5.24.

The request is a fair one and may be acceded to.

P.W.D.

W.S. The application for exemption has not come thro' the A.G. A draft endt. to the A.G. is submitted.

1.6.24 C.R. 2-6-24.

[Endt. issued as No. 2395 AC/24 - 1 Dated 6.6.1924]

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Office of the Accountant-General,

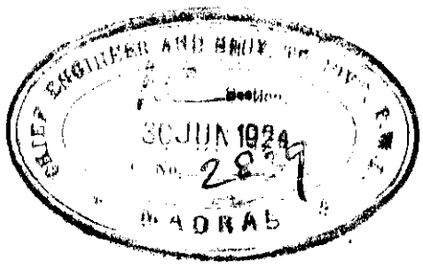
Fort St. George, Madras. 28th June 1924.

No. 211 S.L./V. 1971.
No P.C. 6097 d 28 6 24.

There is no audit objection to the waiving of the recovery of rent under Rule 45 (e) of the Fundamental Rules.

D.A.G.

P.C.R/28-3.



To

The Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department.

P.W.D.

U.S.

A draft order on the case is submitted. It may be issued with the concurrence of Finance.

CR.
27.24 - 2-7-24

3/7/24

I.D.

P. W.D. No. No 2395 Ac/24.
3.7.24

CA

Fin 2053 Eqpt
4.7.24

Finance

Finance (Eqpt)

Submitted that the draft order may be accepted subject to the addition of a sentence to the effect that the work of deepening the well should be expedited if it has not already been furnished.

CA
5.7.24

Osh
7.7.24

Through C.S.P.

7.7.24

D.S
Fin

P.T.O.

I am afraid that I am unable to accept the proposal. The proposal amounts to this: that an officer may of his own volition vacate his residence, not on the ground that it is uninhabitable but on the ground of a temporary inconvenience, and then at his own discretion be freed from the liability for rent.

2. As pointed out above, the house is perfectly habitable and, if he expected a monetary concession, the D. F. O. should have applied for previous permission to vacate his quarters and to be exempted from rent.

3. If the principle were once accepted that minor inconveniences are to be the criterion as to occupation or non-occupation of Government residences, then a large number of Government residences would probably be vacated. I can give an instance in my own case, viz., the bungalow of the Sub-Collector at Berhampore. For several years the nearest water was six furlongs away and yet the occupant of the bungalow paid rent for an unusable well which had been sunk by the P.W.D. in the compound and paid water rate to the Municipality. Water had to be transported in a pipayi

4. There are other places in which I have resided, e.g. Waltair, in which water had to be fetched in pipayis. The D. F. O. at Kollegal had nothing more to do than to employ a pipayi.

2095 I
18-7-24

P. W. D.

11-7-24.

P.W.D.

VAS

Fin. No. 2053 (Estt.) dt. 12-7-24

The file may now be sent no. to Development for remarks on the Finance Secretary's note above.

P.W.D.No. 2395 AC/24-3 I.D.
16-7-24

157/24. C.R.
15-7-24

Development

16/7

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Dev! Dept

To Under Secy

~~Plse~~ In View of the Financial Secy's remarks on page 3 supra, it is for orders whether the proposal to the D.P.O, Kollegal to grant the remission of rent ~~of~~ may be negatived. If so, the file may be returned to P.W.D. to issue orders accordingly

S
19.7.44

Ch
18.7.44

LAR
18.7.44

Authority cancelled, Hold Lic Fees ~~Sec~~ is requested that the request may be referred. C2 should see.

19.7.44

C2

I am not clear about this. I can agree with Secy. What is the duty of the D.P.O. - Does he get any Kollegal allowance? Prima facie I do not think this a case should be difficult for substitution unless it be that no one available - In Madras where water had similarly to be carried Govt. used to make a special allowance to the occupant of its bungalow to meet the difficulty in carriage

AR
20.7

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Please note. If this case may kindly be cancelled
& PWD w.e. above note referred to this special
allowance referred to by HM, may kindly be
clubbing with this case

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22/7/24

Rw 24/7.

To Under Secy,

The pay of the D.F.O., Kollegal, is Rs 575/= — vide item 3 on pages 12–13 of the Classified List of Forest Officers. The head quarters of the D.F.O. is at Kollegal. Under para 5 (item 10) of Govt Order 718 Finance dt 31-8-23 and para 1 of G.O. No 116 Fin: dt 8-2-24, the allowances drawn by officers stationed at the Kollegal town and certain other places have been withdrawn. The officers will, however, have to tour in unhealthy tracts. The question of the allowance to be drawn by such officers is still under consideration in the Finance Dept. If and when orders issue on this question, the D.F.O. may get some allowance. At present, it appears that he is not getting any allowance.

2. The P.W.D. may be requested to put up the papers referred to by H.M. at A on page 4 supra

Typed memorandum.

D

C

Vide para 2 of C.

CHIEF ENGINEER AND SECRETARY
28 AUG 1924

DP/31/7.

Rw: w.o 2095-I/24-1

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28-7-24 LRR 28.7.24

GR 30-7-24.

PW.D. (U.O.)

PWD

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Please see remarks at (c) and (d) on p 3 of Go 436 W dy 21.3.17. It will be observed therefrom that a water cart allowance was being given to the Dt Supdt of police at Madura. in 1916. No information is readily traceable in this deptt in regard to the amount of this allowance and the authority sanctioning or grant. Judicial may perhaps be able to furnish these particulars. dy (27).

Am with these remarks, the file may be returned to Development Dept 16/8/24

Development Dept

18/8 Jr

Dev: Dept.

P.W.D. W.O. 2395 Ac/24-4
18.8.24

To under Secy,

Judicial Dept may be requisited to furnish the information on the points referred to in P.W.D notes above.

21.8.24.

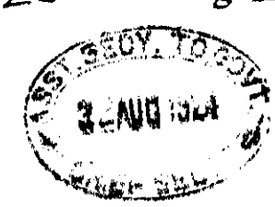
DAR 21.8.24

Judicial (Ms.)

Dev: W.O 2095-I/24-2
22—8—24

Judl (Pol) deptt

A water cart allowance of Rs 25 p.m. was sanctioned to the Supdt of Police Madura in Go. No. 945 W dy 28.3.1901 It is however understood from the



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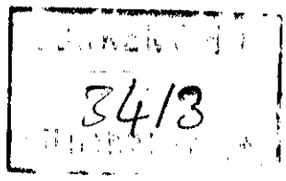

the D.G's office that no such allowance is now given - vide t.n. at (P). Submitted that the file with the above remarks may be returned to Development thro' P.W.D. who will be able to say whether the G.O. quoted has been Cancelled or not.

I don't put much faith in Telephone messages myself.

There is a place where the Subaltern pays about 30/- a month for both water charges to make other arrangements for water required for cooking or (?) Drinking

ATRN.
8/9/24
Rus
11-9-24

12.9.24

Judl. u.o. 3413 A-1
12/9/24

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15 ~~Sept~~ 1924

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PWD

PWD

Re reference - A. above

Flag (G)
(remarks)

Please see Rec. 2243 W dt. 15.8.02. It was therein stated that the supply at a cost of Rs 25/- per mensem, at Govt. expense, of a water cart to each of the five European officers' quarters at Matheran would hold good until such time as the pipe supply was made available. If, as stated in the t.n. (Flag P), the above allowance is not given now, it is presumably

due to the fact that pipe water supply has been made available for the quarters. The S.E. may perhaps be asked to state definitely if this is so. A draft memo is submitted

Dy
30.X.24.

memo issued as No 2395 Ac/24-5 dy 1.10.24. P&C 1
C No 4748) Accts Immate SE No 2089 CRE dy 14.10.24 P&C 1

US

The supply of water carts at a cost of Rs 25/- p.m is reported to have been discontinued from 1.12.1912. as the supply of pipe water was commenced from 27.11.1912.

The case may now be sent to development sec.

Dy
16.X.24

P&C

Development Sec.

DD
P.W.D. No 2395 Ac/24-6
22.10.24.

Irri Dept.

To Under Secy,

Please see Judicial and P.W.D notes on pages 6-8 supra: The information on pages 5-8 supra was collected with reference to G.O's

D 3034 I
23.X.

PD

remarks on page 4 supra.

Ch.
24-10-24.

S. Ghose
24.10.24.

LAR
24-10-24

There are precedents for both views, Madura for and Tuticorin (among others) against—

NMB
24/X

C 2

Hear counsel

Civ. 257/20.
Bom CS. 8.
RH 20/10

The Tuticorin case is not quite the same as I understand there is practically no good water in the town. I know that at one time people used to get their drinking water from Colombo. The point in this case, if I understand it, might be that Govt have built a house as Kollegal for one of its officers & have chosen a site where a sufficient supply of water is not available. If my opinion in this suit we have no business to make an official in such a house & that if we do their official

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B

be a deduction from his rent to make up for his cost of his technical service which he is entitled to free available. I believe this is not his same difficulty in his case of the Conservator here at Salem. I do not know what his own estimate for houses and selected investigation for water is regarded as a necessary preliminary. I consider this as dwelling house should be built when his Ld. Engr. has certified that there is good water to be had.

27.x.24

Rec'd on 31-10-24

To Under Secy,

The file may now be sent to P.W.D. for issue of orders.

3-11-24.

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8.11.24

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P.W.D.

Dy. No. 2095-L/24-3

4-11-24.

P.W.D.

U-S.

The file may now be circulated to

SECTION
5 NOV 24
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DS (Chapter 8A-e

to M2 + C4 for orders which reference to C2's note on pp 9-10 ante

Thro' S Wells / B
ref: to A+B in C2's note on pp 9 & 10 ante.

CR.
14.11.24

Reference A & B in C2's note on pp 9-10 ante. From the Conservancy endorsement on page 3 of it appears that the failure of water in the wells at Kollegal was due to the lack of rains from the N.E. monsoon & that the whole country was very dry in ~~December~~ last. This does not appear to be a case where Govt. have built a house on a site where a sufficient supply of water is not available. As regards the general question of selection of sites, it is submitted that the rule is that a site committee consisting of the Collector, the D.M.O & the Ex. Engr. and a representative of the Dept. concerned should select sites for buildings. They have regard to the general suitability of the sites, i.e convenience of locality, general sanitation of the place, suitability for building on them &c and presumably they also consider the availability of water though no specific instructions to that effect appear to have been

been

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been issued – please see E.O.
No. 13190 of 13.11.09 & 639 W of 7.5.12 X. Y
It is for consideration whether any
such general instructions should
be issued.

[illegible] 13/6 [illegible] 19/11/24 [illegible] 19/11/24

[illegible] 8/12/24 General instructions may issue

W Box No 39
6-12-24
Recd on 11/12/24

Presumably that the question of water supply should be considered in the selection of sites I have no objection 2 In the present case I gather the inconvenience was only temporary & followed on an abnormally deficient monsoon

R&G
9/12/24.

U.S. 11/12/24
S
CR 11.12.24. 12/12/24.

Ul

Please see the remarks of m_2 and C_4 at p12 ante. It is not clear whether they agree with C_2 in holding that the D.F.O should be exempted from occupying the quarters and paying rent therefor, till water becomes available in the well ~~adjacent~~ in the Compound of the Residence. It is for consideration whether the file should not be recirculated to m_2 and C_4 for definite orders on the above points

Dey CR. 15/12 15-12-24. 15/12/24

The question of water supply is generally considered by the local officers in selecting a suitable site for quarters for officers. In an abnormally dry year wells are apt to become dry

15/12/24

m_2

C_4 16/12/24

My opinion was that there was no sufficient case for exemption

19/12/24

P. W. D Box No 28
15-12-24

Recd on 22/12/24

PWD Box No. 11
Recd on 30.12.24

m_2 30/12/24

C_2 (now C_1) 23.12.24

With reference to C_4's remarks above, the file may now be circulated to m_2 and C_2

28/12/24 23/12/24

P.W.D

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
SECRETARIAT

S.S.
S.

With reference to the orders awaited, a revised draft order on the case is submitted, which may be sent to the Development Deptt. for perusal before issue

Ans. 7.1.25

7/1/25

P.W. no 2395 Aepm-7
Devl. Deptt. 8.1.25

To Under Secy.

C-1 has agreed to turn down the C.C's proposals at pages 1-3 C.f. The draft orders may therefore be accepted in this Deptt. and the file returned to P.W.D. 106 I vide letter dt. 25 of page 73 infra

28/1/25

Dy/21.1.

Dev. w.o. 106-I/25-1
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P W D.

22.1.25

P.W.D

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
Ac
24 JAN 1925
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

S.S

The draft order may now be issued. After issue action may be taken to issue the general instructions referred to in M/s note at K on p/12 ante.

Ans. 24.1.25

24/1/25

Thimayya 26/1/25

Sectt. II-10 (a)—36,502 27-11-23. (C)

Pw. DEPARTMENT.

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READ AGAIN G.O. No 641W, dated 30.5 1924

" " " " " 192 .

READ ALSO:-

C. No. P; From the Mr. I.C of Forests, No. 2397/24/A/2 dated 15.5 1924.

" " " " " " 192 .

" " " " " " 192 .

ORDER.

No. 184W, dated 6-2- 1925.

This

(1) Issue
(2) S/Sobsett
for information.

The Govt consider that a sufficient case has not been made out for granting remission of rent in respect of the D.F.O's quarters at Kollegal for the period that it has been vacant, i.e from the 13th march ~~1924~~ 1924. ~~of~~ to 15th/25th September 1924.

2. The S.E Coimbatore circle should expedite the execution of the work of deepening the well in the quarters, sanctioned in G.O.No 641W dt 30.5.24, if it has not already been finished.

DESPATCHED
-9 FEB 1925

The SE Coimbatore circle / "A"
" Chief Conservator of Forests /
" A.G. madras through the Engineer dept.
" Development dept /

7/1/25
Govt.
7.1.25

Transfer of funds under '41 Civil Works Provl. Transferred is sanctioned

From

L.S. Buildings minor, Kozhikode, Krishna Kaalam Dr. Rs 6.0

To

L.S. Buildings minor, Kozhikode, West Coast Dr. Rs 6.0

WW
7.2.25

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for S

Scott. II-47—697 Bks.—21-1-18 (5)

~~A.~~
B. } (a)
~~N.P.~~

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~~NOT SEEN BY C.S.~~

Receipt numbers	2395 Ac/24
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Tabling Abstract.

Buranys — Rent — Coimbatore — DF on quarters, Kollegal — Exemption from payment of rent on the ground that there was no water in the well — Refused

(b) **Index Headings.**

HEADING

CROSS REFERENCES.

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